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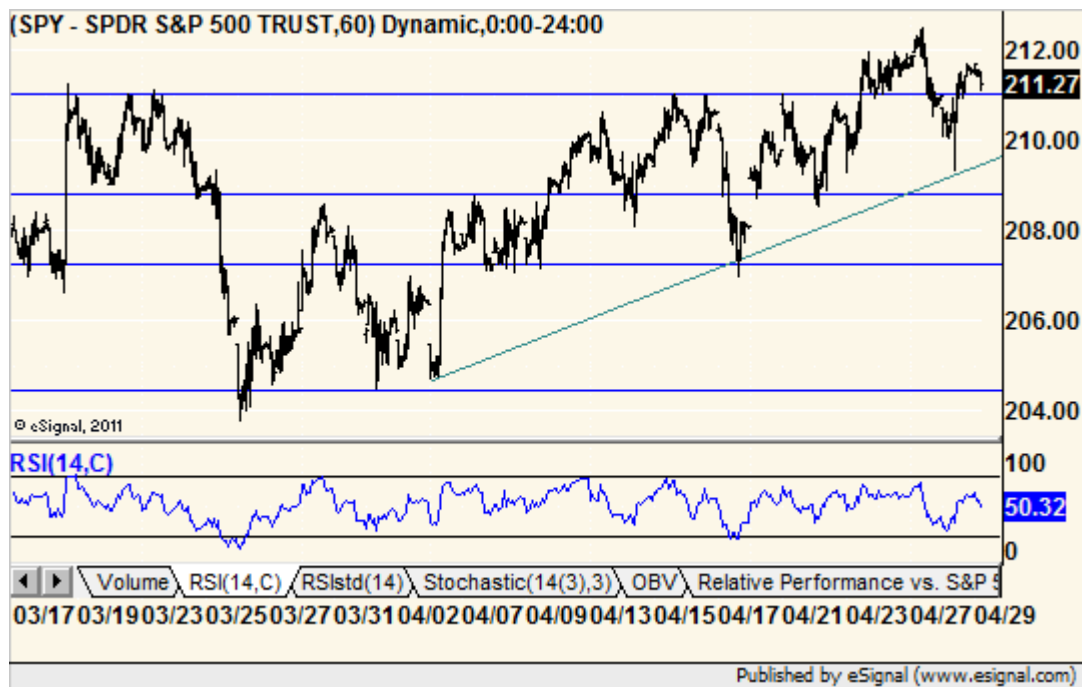
"TECHNICAL ANALYSIS FOR EVERYONE"

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April 29, 2015 – Hark back to the wonder days of last week when earnings reports sparked huge gap-up gains. Amazon, Microsoft, eBay all soared post reports. But now this week we see the complete opposite with Twitter, Coach, Whirlpool and Supervalu (SVU) all getting smacked after misses. It seems that the good reports cluster early and the bad cluster later but we'll leave the conspiracy theories aside.

There may be a theme here, anyway. Homebuilding still sports problems in supporting sectors with Whirlpool showing lack of demand for big ticket items and Home Depot, after a mid-day fake-out attempt, has broken down. And check out Lumber Liquidators (LL) in the premarket today. Ouch!

Yesterday, after a consumer confidence infused morning decline, stocks reversed course and forged higher into uncharted territory. The Nasdaq, hit by a Twitter earnings leak, closed just below flat. Today, once again, the market seems nervous ahead of the 2pm Eastern Fed statement. We say much ago about nothing but perception trumps reality today and every day in the markets.



We can see that the support and resistance line of the past two months are finally done as reliable signals. There is a new rising trendline in place (the spike on the right of the chart is actual trading and not a data error). And that means there is an upside bias in place. Of course, the Fed can change that but for now the evidence remains with the bulls. It's not a barn burner, that is for sure, but bias is bias.

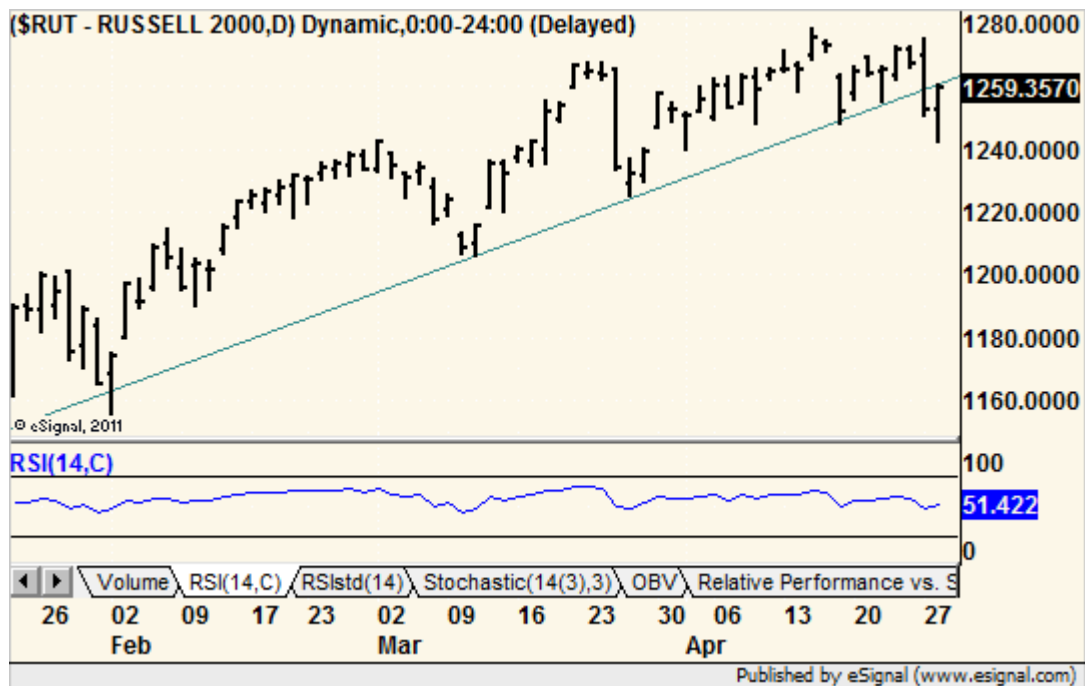
Gold had another good day and this time the dollar had a really bad one. Gold stocks are looking up and I just penned an article for a website praising **ABX** as a good choice above 13.30 (chart below).

Otherwise, we are waiting for the Fed, too, and do not have many stock picks.

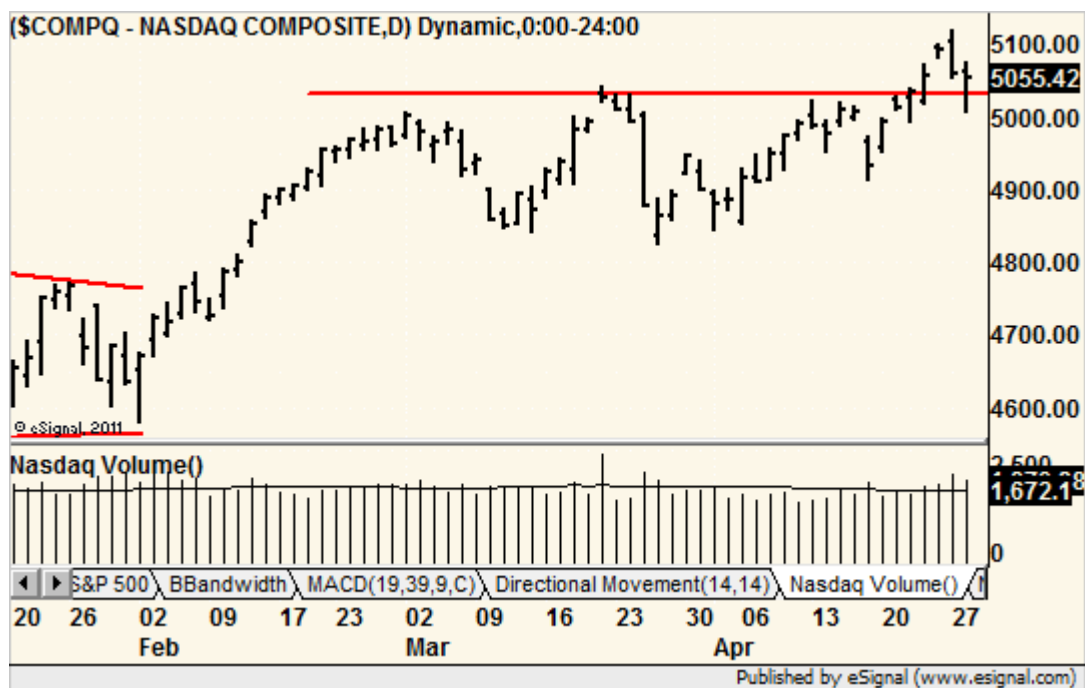
Index Charts of the Day



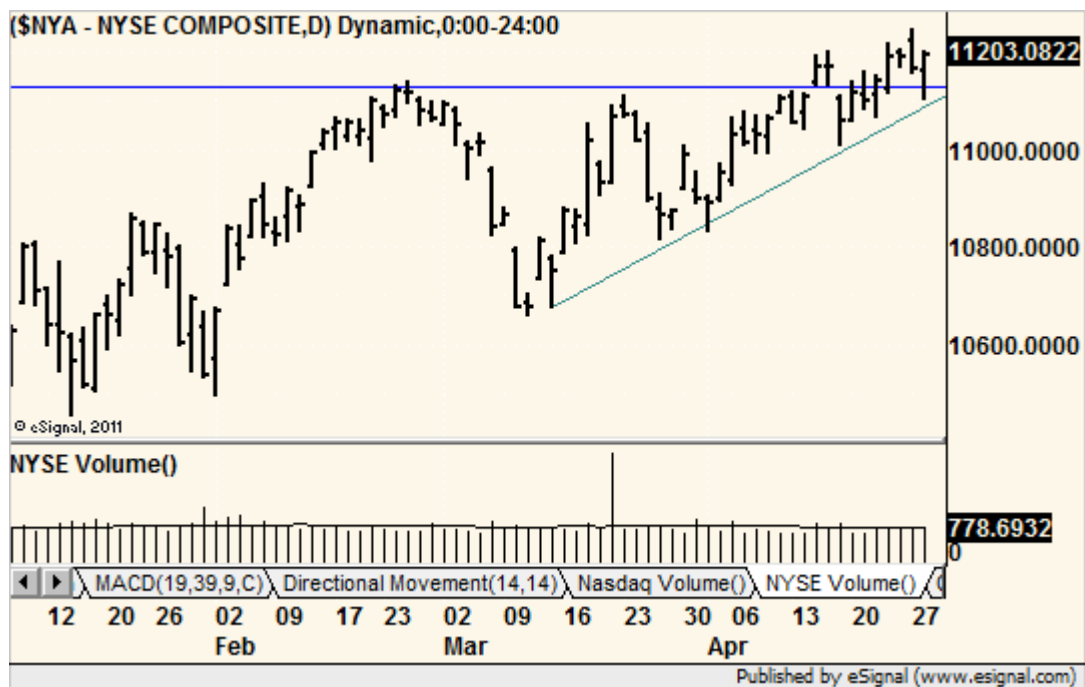
The reversal here is all but negated. And the breakout from the triangle is already back in force.



The Russell came back to test the trendline breakdown. If it closes higher today it would create a breakdown failure and a bullish signal.



The reversal here is still officially in effect but so far we have a successful test of the resistance breakout. These are opposites and whichever way today goes will likely dictate the next week or so.



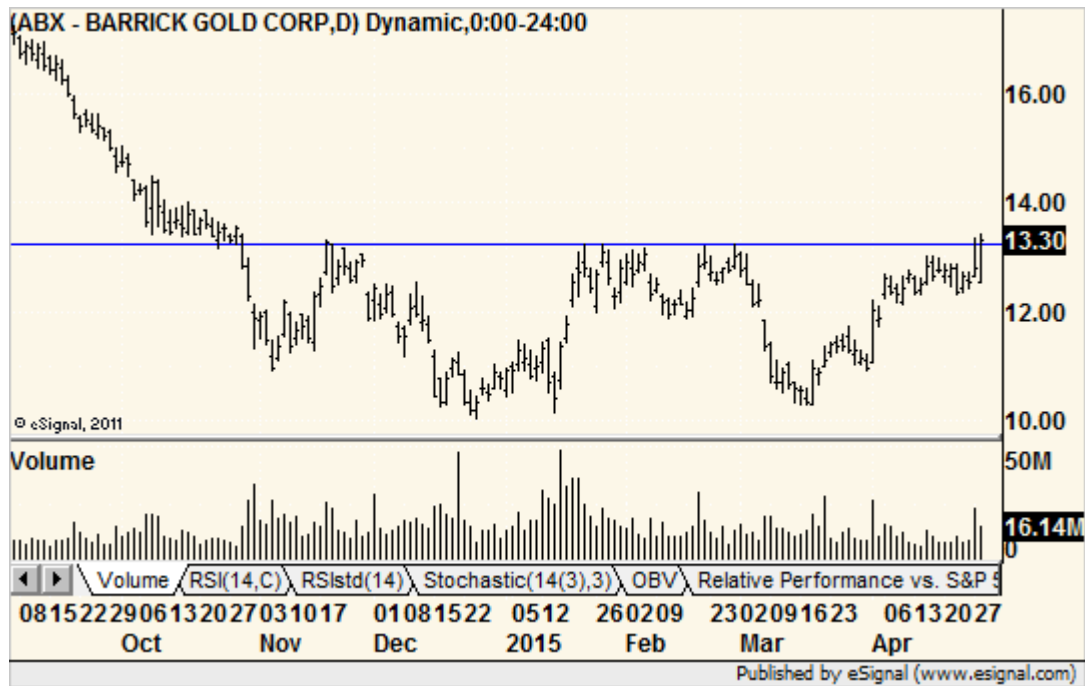
The NYSE composite is sloppy but still holding on to its breakout.

The Radar Screen

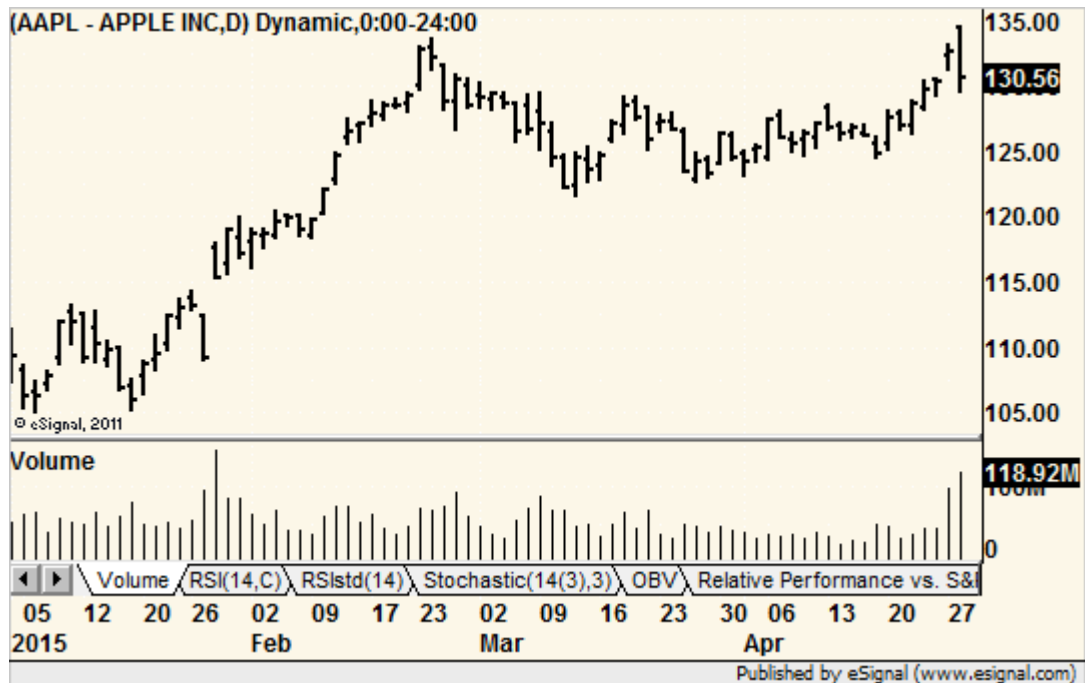
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Bullish Implications		
IBM – This is a nice base breakout. <u>Ship sailed. We missed it.</u>	Removed	4/24
Matrix Services MTRX – Heavy construction stock now in a bull flag right at 200-day average. Buy close over 22.50		4/7
Barrick Gold ABX – Even though the sector ETF is nothing much we like Barrick's double bottom with a handle and will buy the opening dip. Just be aware that the Fed could impact the dollar which will impact gold.	New	4/29
Bearish Implications		
Keurig GMCR – A stock on precipice. It has a moving average death cross in February. Now that it bounced we will sell under 111.		3/30
Unknown Implications		
none –		
Holding Tank - red shade leans bearish, green shade leans bullish		
Caterpillar CAT – Breakout failure so far. Keep watching as strength now would catch everyone off guard and likely be a buy. <u>Waiting for a post-Fed dip, it one materializes.</u>		4/24
Sector Watch (observations that may spark ideas)		
Banks ETF KBE - Still waiting for a real breakout despite same in JPM and GS .		4/21
DJ medical supplies sector – Bull flag. On-balance volume held steady during the pullback. Bullish setup. BCR, TFX, BAX		4/22
Industrial Metals stocks – FCX, SCCO, TS, CCJ looking better		4/27
Energy ETF XLE – Still looks like a killer base waiting for the breakout.		4/28
Updates		
Twitter TWTR – We called 50.30 the critical support in Monday's report. If you were paying attention yesterday there was a 15-minute window to get out before the plunge. That was a tall order.		

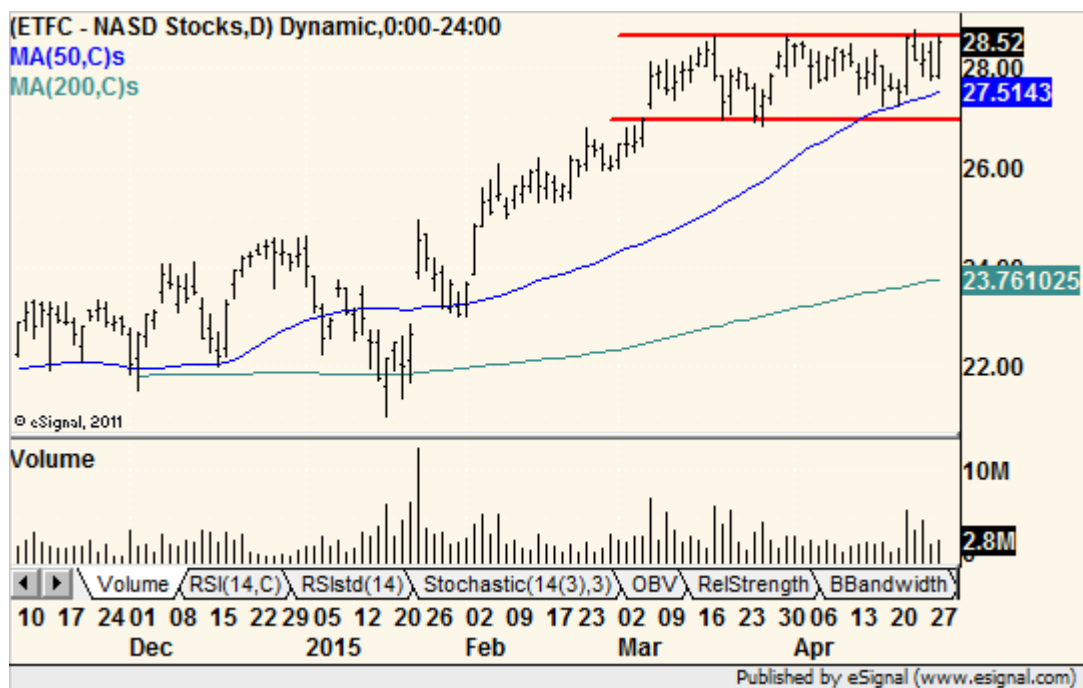
Market Highlights



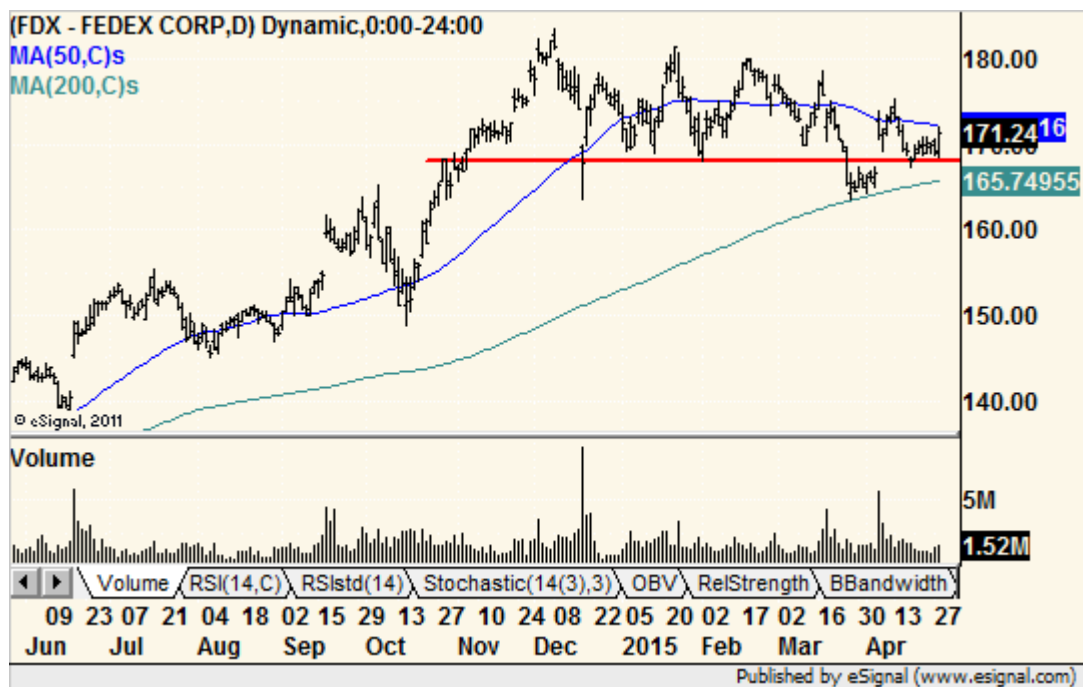
Barrick Gold – Even though the sector ETF is nothing much we like Barrick’s chart and will buy the opening dip. Just be aware that the Fed could impact the dollar which will impact gold. This chart shows a double bottom with a handle



Apple – Bearish reversal on big volume and now a potential double top.



E-Trade – This online broker is in a rectangle with a possible failure to dip to support. We like volume over the past week with a big level on the rally and lower on the pause.



FedEx – Remember this breakdown last month? It seems to have failed and yesterday was a nice rally off support with decent volume.

Advice Tracker

This is a list of stocks that have triggered buys or sells and not a recommended portfolio. We will track them with suggested strategies but specific stops and position closes are up to the subscriber. Symbols in **red** mean that the position was stopped out. Stops in **red** were changed. Any position that moves in the desired direction and then reverses by 5% from the extreme that day is an automatic stop out. This is to compensate for the inability of this once per day newsletter to alert subscribers to the reversal.

	<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Last</u>	<u>P/L</u>	<u>Stop</u>	<u>Price in</u>	<u>Date in</u>	<u>#Days</u>
<u>Long</u>	YHOO	YAHOO INC	44.34	-1.4%	43.50	44.98	3/19	40
	FB	FACEBOOK INC	80.68	-3.7%	80.00	83.81	3/30	29
	JEC	JACOBS ENGR GROUP INC DEL	42.73	-6.9%		45.90	4/9	19
	PM	PHILIP MORRIS INTL INC	82.88	6.1%	82.00	78.11	4/14	14
	ABB	ABB LTD	22.06	1.2%	21.25	21.80	4/14	14
	GILD	GILEAD SCIENCES INC	103.72	1.3%	100.00	102.34	4/14	14
	XOM	EXXON MOBIL CORP	87.80	1.4%	85.00	86.63	4/14	14
	VIAB	VIACOM INC NEW	71.31	1.2%	68.00	70.45	4/14	14
	FLR	FLUOR CORP NEW	60.59	1.1%	58.00	59.93	4/21	7
	KOP	KOPPERS HOLDINGS INC	23.11	2.1%	22.00	22.64	4/22	6
	STJ	ST JUDE MED INC	72.58	3.5%	71.00	70.15	4/22	6
	PSX	PHILLIPS 66	81.61	0.3%	77.25	81.38	4/24	4
	VZ	VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS	50.55	1.1%	48.00	50.00	4/27	1
<u>Short</u>	WSM	WILLIAMS SONOMA INC	75.05	1.9%	79.00	76.51	4/17	11

Notes: **JEC** gapped down through our 46 stop and looking at the chart we still see no warnings. According to our rules, we had to book the loss at the open.

Raised stop on **KOP**. Lowered stop on **WSM** short.

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